GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†191 ANSWERED ON 03.02.2025

TOURISM INFRASTRUCTURE FOR MAHA KUMBH, 2025

†191. SHRI ARUN GOVIL:

SHRI MANISH JAISWAL:

SHRI BHOJRAJ NAG:

MS KANGNA RANAUT:

SHRI NABA CHARAN MAJHI:

SHRI PARSHOTTAMBHAI RUPALA:

SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

SMT. SHOBHANABEN MAHENDRASINH BARAIYA:

DR. RAJESH MISHRA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any measures have been implemented by the Government to enhance tourism infrastructure and facilities in Prayagraj for the Maha Kumbh, 2025 for ensuring smooth access and comfortable experience for the domestic and international visitors, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the initiatives undertaken by the Government to ensure the safety, security, and well-being of tourists, pilgrims and other stakeholders, considering the expected influx of millions of visitors to the Maha Kumbh, 2025; and
- (c) whether arrangements for running a special train from Beohari to Prayagraj via Singrauli are being made in view of the lakhs of devotees from Sidhi Parliamentary Constituency going to take a holy dip in Maha Kumbh?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) to (b): The Maha Kumbh 2025, is taking place in Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh. Organization, Enhancement of infrastructure and facilities is subject of the State Government.

The Ministry of Tourism is promoting Maha Kumbh 2025 through various initiatives. Ministry has set up an Incredible India Pavilion in Mela area to provide information, and to engage tourists, media, influencers etc. New creatives, a Digital brochure of various tour packages, flight options, accommodation options etc. for Maha Kumbh have been prepared and circulated. Additionally, a dedicated Maha Kumbh Tourist Infoline (1800111363) has been established for tourists.

The promotion of Maha Kumbh is also being done through social media handles of Ministry of Tourism.

India Tourism Development Corporation (ITDC), a PSU of Ministry of Tourism has setup 80 Luxury tent accommodation at Tent City, Prayagraj.

Ministry of Culture has set up a cultural village viz. Kalagram in Mela Area through North Central Zone Cultural Centre, which features Anubhut Mandapam, Artists performances, Food zone, display and sale of traditional Indian Handicrafts and Handlooms etc.

(c): As per the information received from Ministry of Railways, to cater the needs of passengers and to facilitate their journey to/from Prayagraj, 16 train services (including 05609/05610 Jabalpur-Bargawan Kumbh Mela Special) are being operated on the Beohari -Katni sector. For onward journey to Prayagraj, passengers may changeover at Katni and avail the 176 trains (including 32 Special trains) serving the Katni-Prayagraj sector.
